

claim 3 has been rewritten in independent form as amended claim 1, allowed claim 6 has been rewritten in independent form as new claim 21, allowed claim 14 has been rewritten in independent form (without the limitations of claim 12) as new claim 22, and allowed claim 16 has been rewritten in independent form (without the limitations of claim 12) as new claim 23. Since there was no art rejection of claim 20 and since claim 20 has been amended to remove the informality pointed out in paragraph 3 of the previous Action it is believed that claim 20 (as well as new claim 31 which is similar to claim 20 only it depends from claim 22) are also in clear condition for allowance. Since there are no substantively rejected claims remaining it is believed that all of the claims are in clear condition for allowance therefore early passage to issue is earnestly solicited.

**THIS CASE HAS BEEN GRANTED SPECIAL  
STATUS.**

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Should any small matters remain outstanding it is requested that the undersigned attorney be given a call so that such matters may be worked out and the application placed in condition for allowance without the necessity of another Action and amendment.

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Respectfully submitted,

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